



Canadian International School of Egypt
HRT3M- World Religions
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Unit 1- Introduction to Religion

1.1 Exploring Religion

- Common features of religion
- What are some factors that turn people to religion?
- Religion and Ethics: How do they compare to each other?
- Religion and Science: How do they compare to each other?
- Religion and Technology: How do they compare to each other?
- Why is Canada a good place to encounter the 'religions' of the world?
- Any homework questions from this chapter

1.2 The Nature of the Religious Experience

- Religious Experience: What is it?
- Religious Expression: How can we show it?
- What is contemplation?
- Ways to transmit a Religious Experience
- How do we experience Religion in everyday life?
- What is meditation? How is it used when attached to religion

1.3 Is There Really A God?

- Review arguments for and against?
- Your own opinions for or against are also valid. If you choose to use one of your own, please make sure to provide enough information to back it up (proof)

1.4 Early Religions: Ancient Greece

- Important Considerations
 - Anthropomorphic
 - What did the God's control?
 - How did people ask the God's for blessings?
 - Religious Festivals

1.5 Religion Today

- Religion and Culture
 - Ethnicity
 - Christmas
- Charter of Rights
- Religion and Politics

1.6 Aboriginal Spirituality

- Aboriginal Creation Stories
- Defining Aboriginal Spirituality: Key Considerations
 - Animism
 - Spirits
 - Polytheistic
 - Monotheistic
- Reincarnation
- Morality
 - 4 demands
- Ceremonies and Rituals
 - Sun Dance
 - Morning Dance
 - Potlatch Ceremony
 - Sweat Lodge
 - Shaking Tent

Key Terms

Credo	Ethics	Religion	Religious Impulse	Evolution	Creation
Religious Experience	Religious Expression	Contemplation	Reincarnation	Polytheistic	Monotheistic
Myth	Soul	Sacred	Secular	Atheist	Shaman
Animism	Meditation	anthropomorphism			